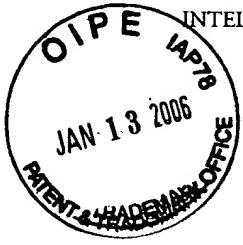


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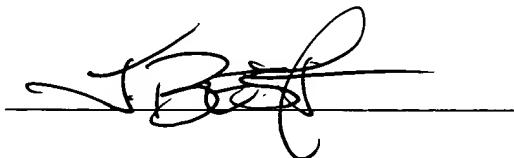


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Line 59, after "within a bone" remove [to]

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Line 54, after "discontinuous threads" insert --)

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Line 43, after "angle less" insert --than--

Column 13,

Line 29, before "diameter" change "avvenge" to --average--

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Column 15,

Line 1, after "bone tunnel" insert --,--

Line 3, after "the proximal" change "thread" to --threaded--

Line 4, after "the distal" change "thread" to --threaded--

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Line 6, before "proximal threaded" insert --the--

Line 6, after "threaded section" insert --,--

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